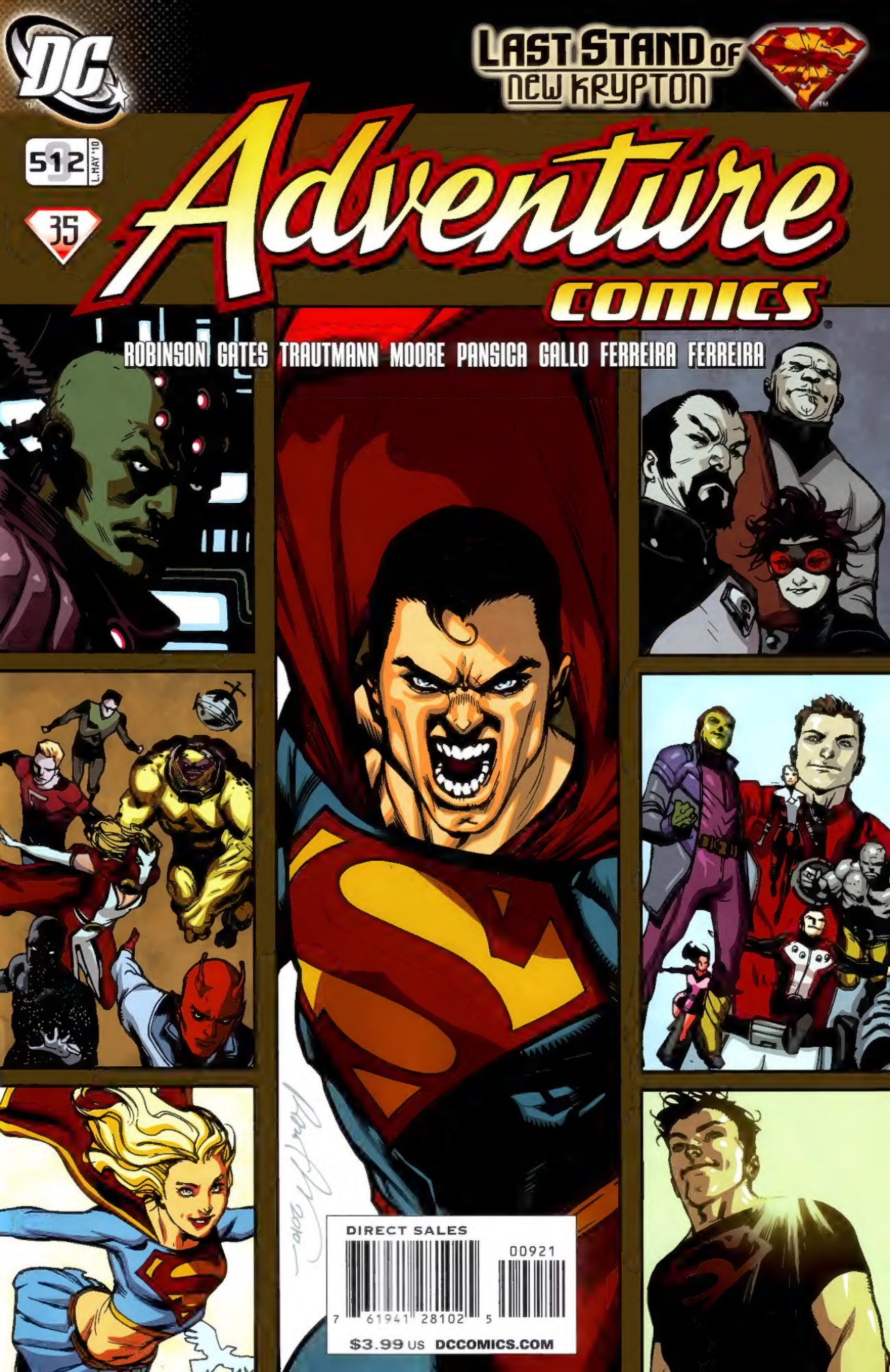
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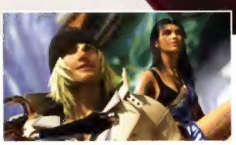

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...THE UNIVERSE AS DEFINED BY BEING EVERYTHING IN SPACE...
...AND TIME.
INDEED.
THE END OF SPACE SOMEHOW COMBINING WITH THE END OF TIME...
...TO BECOME THE END OF EVERYTHING.
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LEGION HEADQUARTERS, EARTH.
THE 31ST CENTURY.
I SHOULD STAY FOCUSED ON THE TASK AT HAND...
...TO BREAK THE MYSTERIOUS LOCK ON TIME TRAVEL THAT HAS SOMEHOW TAKEN HOLD, SO THAT I CAN GO BACK TO THE 21ST CENTURY AND CHANGE THAT PAST...
...UNDO THE DESTRUCTION NOW...
...BY AVERTING SOMETHING THAT, BASED ON EVERY HISTORICAL RECORD, IS NOT MEANT TO HAPPEN IF OUR PRESENT NOW, TODAY, HAS ANY HOPE OF CONTINUING.
THAT EVENT IS THE DEATH OF SUPERMAN.
BRAINY, SPEAK, BUDDY! COME ON! HOW YOU DOING?
YES, CHAMELEON BOY'S ESPIONAGE SQUAD IS ALREADY BACK IN THE 21ST CENTURY...
...BUT THERE'S NO WAY THEY COULD KNOW THAT EVENTS IN TIME HAVE FURTHER CHANGED. THEY NEED TO BE WARNED.
INSPIRED BY THE LEGEND OF SUPERMAN, TEENAGERS FROM ACROSS THE UNIVERSE JOURNEYED TO EARTH TO FORM A SUPER-TEAM UNLIKE ANY OTHER IN HISTORY. REPRESENTING DIVERSITY, UNITY AND TOLERANCE, THEY PROTECT ALL PLANETS AND ALL RACES OF THE 31ST CENTURY AS THE LEGION OF SUPER HEROES
WE'RE DOWN THREE GALAXIES AND COUNTING.
IT'S THE IDENTITY OF SUPERMAN'S KILLER, THOUGH...
...MAKING IT HARD FOR MY OH-SO-FAMOUS 12TH LEVEL INTELLIGENCE TO CONCENTRATE. SUPERMAN'S KILLER...
...BRAINIAC.
BRAINY! SAY SOMETHING!
TELL US WHAT TO DO!
I THINK OF HIM. ME. THE NAME I CARRY...

5...AND ALL OF THOSE WHO'VE COME BETWEEN.
BRAINIAC.
HIS REAL NAME LOST TO TIME.
HIS MOTIVES...WAY BEYOND THOSE OF ANY OTHER COLUAN. YES, WE ALL SEEK KNOWLEDGE ABOVE EVERYTHING ELSE.
BUT WITH BRAINIAC, IT WAS MORE.
A GREED TO TAKE WHAT HE LEARNED AND KEEP IT. HIS ALONE.
SHRINKING CITIES...ONE FROM EACH WORLD HE'D FIND. ONE CITY. BOTTLE IT. TAKE IT. KEEP IT.
AND THEN DESTROYING THAT WORLD AND ALL OTHER LIFE AROUND IT.
EVIL. BRAINIAC. PURE EVIL.
HIS CLONE WAS LITTLE BETTER.
VRIL DOX.
YES, HE FORMED L.E.G.I.O.N. AND LATER R.E.B.E.L.S.--BOTH FORCES FOR GOOD...
...BUT SCRATCH THAT PATINA EVEN A LITTLE AND IT'S CLEAR, FIRST AND FOREMOST, THEY WERE MAINLY GOOD FOR VRIL DOX.
EVIL OF MANY TYPES WAS FOUGHT AND FINISHED BY THE ACTIONS OF VRIL'S TEAMS.
BUT HOW MANY DIED OR WERE HURT OR HAD THEIR LIVES AND HOPES AND WORLDS SHATTERED FOREVER...
...AT THE GUILE OF BRAINIAC 2?
HIS SON. LYRL DOX. BRAINIAC 3.
SMART AND CRUEL, AT FIRST.
LATER, SMART AND SAVAGE.
A LITTLE BETTER.
YES, WITH EACH KEEPER OF THE MANTLE BRAINIAC, A LITTLE BETTER.
MY FATHER. KAJZ DOX.
11TH LEVEL INTELLIGENCE.
BUT MORE IMPORTANT, INSTEAD OF THE TYPICAL COLUAN INDIFFERENCE TO ANYTHING BUT LEARNING AND ALL THINGS COLUAN...
...HE CHOSE TO ADOPT THE BRAINIAC MANTLE, RESOLVED TO MAKE THAT MANTLE KNOWN FOR WISDOM AND FOR GOOD.
TO FINALLY PUT THE LITANY OF EVIL THAT COMPRISED THE LIVES OF THE ORIGINAL BRAINIAC AND HIS CLONE TO REST.
TO FINALLY MAKE THE WORLD SEE THAT COLUANS COULD BE MORE THAN COLD, REMORSELESS THOUGHT.
THAT WAS DAD. BRAINIAC 4.
AND THEN THERE'S ME.
BRAINY!
A FEW MORE MOMENTS, GUYS.
WELL, A FEW MOMENTS IS ALL YOU HAVE, PAL. THE RED STORM...
"...IT'S LESS THAN FIVE MINUTES FROM EARTH."

WE JUST LOST JUPITER, MARS IN TWO.
A FEW MORE COORDINATES AND CALIBRATIONS, THEN I'LL NEED YOUR HELP.
NAME IT, BRAINY.
JUST NAME IT, QUICKLY.
MY FATHER DIED MEWLING LIKE A CHILD, WASTING FROM A DISEASE THAT TOOK HIS WITS BEFORE HIS LIFE.
LYRL DOX'S FATE IS LOST TO TIME.
CONFLICTING REPORTS SAY HIS MURDER MAY HAVE BEEN AT THE HANDS OF ONE OF A FEW NOTEWORTHY 21ST CENTURY FIGURES...
...LOBO, ATROCITUS, RAGMAN, GORILLA GRODD, OR EVEN HIS OWN FATHER.
OTHER HISTORIANS CLAIM HE DIED PEACEFULLY AFTER A LONG AND HAPPY LIFE.
WHEN VRIL DOX EVENTUALLY DIED, A VICTIM OF HIS OWN HUBRIS AND TREACHERY...
...FEW MOURNED, MOST REJOICED.
BUT AS FOR BRAINIAC, THE FIRST, THE WORST...
...HIS ULTIMATE FATE--LIKE HIS "GRANDSON'S" --IS A MYSTERY.
HE MAY HAVE DIED...OR TRAVELED THROUGH TIME TO THE 31ST CENTURY TO PLAGUE US NOW AS PULSAR STARGRAVE.
OR...SOME CLAIM HE WENT BACK TO THE BIRTH OF CREATION ONLY TO HAVE HIS MISERABLE LIFE SNUFFED OUT BY AN ANCIENT POWER GREATER THAN HIS.
YES, HE MAY HAVE DONE A LOT OF THINGS.
BUT THE ONLY THING WE KNOW... ABSOLUTELY KNOW...
...HE DIDN'T KILL SUPERMAN.
AND UNLESS HE'S STOPPED, TIME AND SPACE WILL END.
THERE'S ONLY TIME TO CALIBRATE FOR THE BODY CHEMISTRY OF ONE PERSON TO BREACH THE TIME LOCK.
AND MY ANCESTOR MAKES THIS MY MISSION.
MARS IS GONE, BRAINY. COME ON!
IS THAT WHY I'M THINKING ABOUT THE PAST AND OTHER PEOPLE'S LIFETIMES? THE WEIGHT OF EXISTENCE ON MY SHOULDERS.

OR IS IT THAT I KNOW TO STOP BRAINIAC I MUST FACE HIM?
I MUST FIGHT A CREATURE WHOSE INTELLIGENCE IS BY ALL ACCOUNTS AS GREAT OR EVEN GREATER THAN MY OWN.
WHY BOTHER TO THINK ABOUT IT, THOUGH?
IT'S NOT LIKE I HAVE A CHOICE.
AND I MUST DO IT.
BRAINIAC MUST BE STOPPED SO MY FRIENDS AND OUR WORLD CAN LIVE.
I'M READY.
LESS THAN A MINUTE, GUYS.
WHAT CAN WE DO TO HELP?
WHAT DO YOU NEED?
NEED?
I NEED ALL OF YOU! YOUR POWER!
"LIGHTNING!
"MAGNETISM.
"SOLAR ENERGY.
"TELEPORTATION.
"EVERY IOTA YOU CAN SUMMON.
"EVERY ERG.
"AND SPEED, XS! CENTRIFUGAL TO CONTAIN IT."
I'LL FIX THIS, I PROMISE.
I'LL SAVE YOU ALL. OUR WORLD AND YOU AND EVERYONE.

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THE 21ST CENTURY.
KIK KIK KOK
OH, GREAT--

STARMAN - THOM KALLOR
HOMEWORLD: XANTHU.
ABILITIES: GRAVITY MANIPULATION.
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--MORE OF THESE GUYS!
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SUPERBOY
SUPERGIRL

WE CAN'T LET THESE ROBO-GOONS DISTRACT US FROM GETTING ON BRAINIAC'S SHIP!
HOW MANY STUPID ROBOTS DOES HE HAVE, ANYWAY!?
TOO MANY TERMINATORS MAKES JOHN CONNER CRANKY!
STOP! LISTEN TO ME!
THESE ROBOTS ARE SLAUGHTERING US IN OUR QUARTERS! HELP US, MASTER SCIENTIST--
OUT OF THE WAY, LABORER! WHAT'S MORE IMPORTANT, TAKING CARE OF THE SYMPTOM, OR THE CAUSE?
IF WE CAN DISABLE BRAINIAC'S FORCE FIELD, WE CAN SHUT DOWN THESE MONSTERS--
BUT WE NEED HELP!
HEY!
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING? PEOPLE ARE DYING OUT HERE AND YOU'RE FIGHTING AMONG YOURSELVES!
WHY DON'T SOME OF YOU GO WITH THESE MEN AND THE REST OF YOU WORK ON DISABLING THAT FORCE FIELD?
HANDS OFF, LACKGUILD. STAY OUT OF SCIENCE GUILD BUSINESS.
LEAVE US TO DO OUR JOB, AND LET THE LABORERS DO THEIRS.
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WHAT WAS THAT?
THAT WAS US.
WHAT WERE THOSE GUYS GOING ON ABOUT? GUILDS...?
KRYPTONIANS ARE A... SEGREGATED PEOPLE, CONNER.
THERE ARE FOUR MAIN GUILDS IN OUR SOCIETY, EACH WITH THEIR OWN IDEAS AND ATTRIBUTES.
RATHER THAN FIGHT TOGETHER, THEY THINK THAT STICKING WITH THEIR OWN GUILDS WILL KEEP THEM ALIVE LONGER.
WHAT? THAT'S RIDICULOUS. THEY'RE ALL KRYPTONIANS--
HEY! YOU'RE ALL KRYPTONIANS!
START WORKING TOGETHER! AS ONE TEAM--

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And in doing so, have I become the very thing that all monsters become...
...Alone...?

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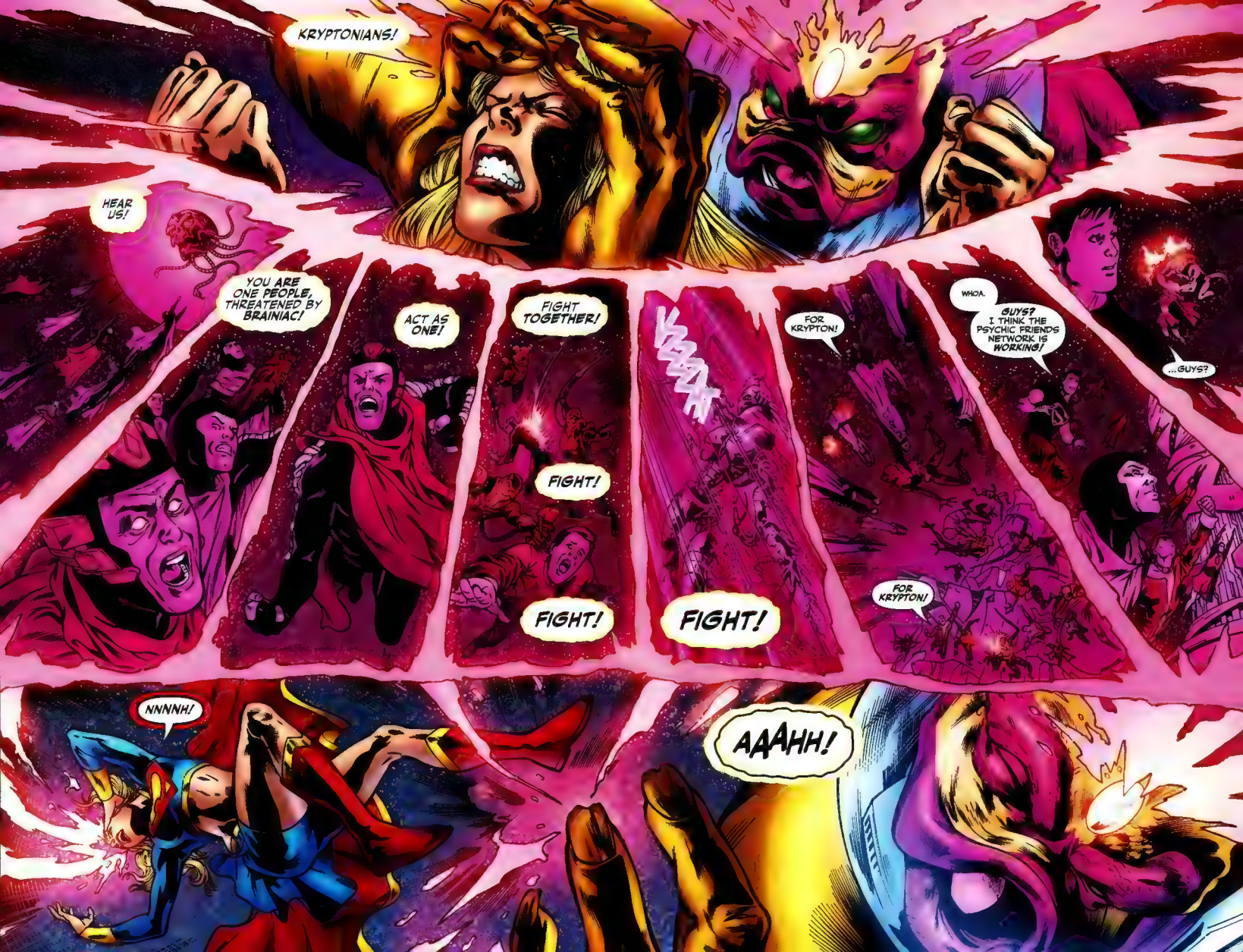
THEY WON'T LISTEN. BELIEVE ME, I'VE TRIED.
NOTHING YOU CAN SAY WILL GET THEM TO FIGHT TOGETHER. EVEN AGAINST BRAINIAC.
MAYBE IT'S NOT ABOUT SAYING ANYTHING, KARA--
KRRTZZZ
--MAYBE IT'S ABOUT CHANGING THEIR MINDS.
TELLUS? DO YOU THINK YOU CAN--
...I'M SORRY, SUPERBOY. GIVE ME A MOMENT. I JUST RECEIVED WORD FROM MON-EL.
HE'S FOUND SUPERMAN, BUT...
"...IT APPEARS THEY'VE HIT A COMPLICATION."
TYPICAL FOR THOSE TWO.
I MUST WARN YOU. I'M NOT A STRONG ENOUGH TELEPATH TO UNITE THE ENTIRE RACE...
...BUT I WILL TRY TO UNITE THOSE OF YOUR PEOPLE THAT FIGHT IN THE SKY WITH US. I'LL NEED YOUR HELP, SUPERGIRL.
SUPERBOY, WILL YOU MAKE SURE WE'RE NOT DISTURBED?
TENACIOUS DEFENSE? I'M YOUR GUY.
WHAT DO I NEED TO DO?
I'M GOING TO USE YOUR MIND TO ACCESS THEIRS.
YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF THE GUILDS WILL PROVIDE ME WITH THE INFORMATION I NEED TO NAVIGATE THEIR MINDS.
OKAY. I...GUESS THAT SEEMS LIKE A GOOD PLAN. WILL THIS HURT?
I'M GOING TO CUT THROUGH YEARS OF CLASS PREJUDICE. THEIR MINDS WILL GREATLY RESIST OUR INTRUSION.
SO, I'M SORRY TO SAY...
...BUT YES.


KRYPTONIANS!
HEAR US!
YOU ARE ONE PEOPLE, THREATENED BY BRAINIAC!
ACT AS ONE!
FIGHT TOGETHER!
FIGHT!
FIGHT!
FIGHT!
FOR KRYPTON!
FOR KRYPTON!
WHOA.
GUYS? I THINK THE PSYCHIC FRIENDS NETWORK IS WORKING!
...GUYS?
NNNNH!
AAAHH!

YOU OKAY?
DID IT--DID IT WORK--?
ON A SMALL SCALE, YES.
WE REMOVED PREJUDICE FROM THE MINDS OF SOME.
UNITED THOSE WE COULD TO BE AS ONE.
CAN YOU DO THAT FOR ALL OF THEM? GET THEM TO LOSE THEIR GUILD MENTALITY AND UNITE OUR ENTIRE RACE TO FIGHT AGAINST BRAINIAC?
I'M NOT THAT POWERFUL A TELEPATH, NO. BUT THERE IS A BOTTLE ON BRAINIAC'S SHIP THAT CONTAINS A RACE OF TELEPATHS. THE LANOTHIANS.
IF I COULD CREATE A FULL MINDNET WITH THEM, IT'S POSSIBLE.
I CANNOT DO THAT FROM HERE. PERHAPS BRAINIAC HAS INSTALLED MENTAL DAMPENERS ON THEIR BOTTLE CITY.
THEN C'MON, LEGION. OUR ORIGINAL MISSION STILL STANDS. WE'VE GOT BOTTLE CITIES TO SAVE.
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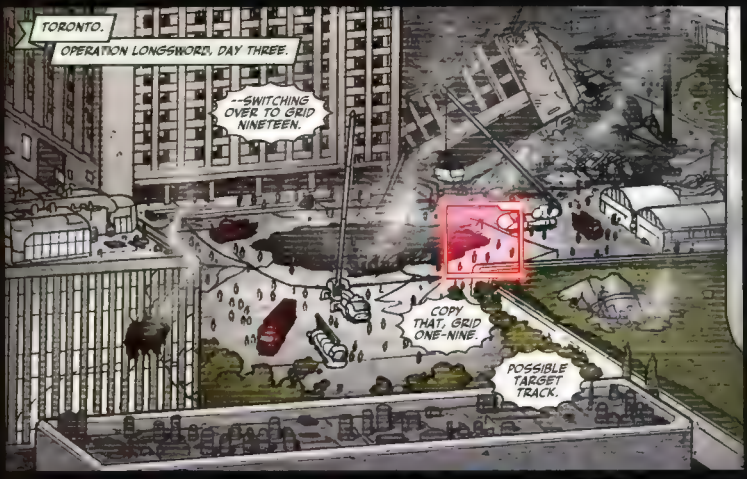
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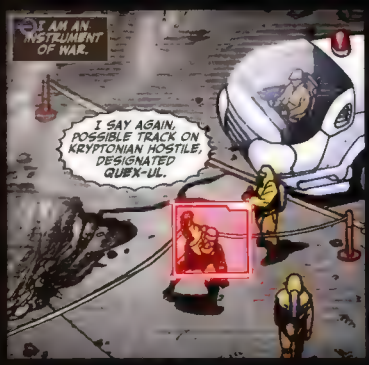
OPERATION LONGSWORD, DAY THREE.
--SWITCHING OVER TO GRID NINETEEN.
COPY THAT, GRID ONE-NINE.
POSSIBLE TARGET TRACK.

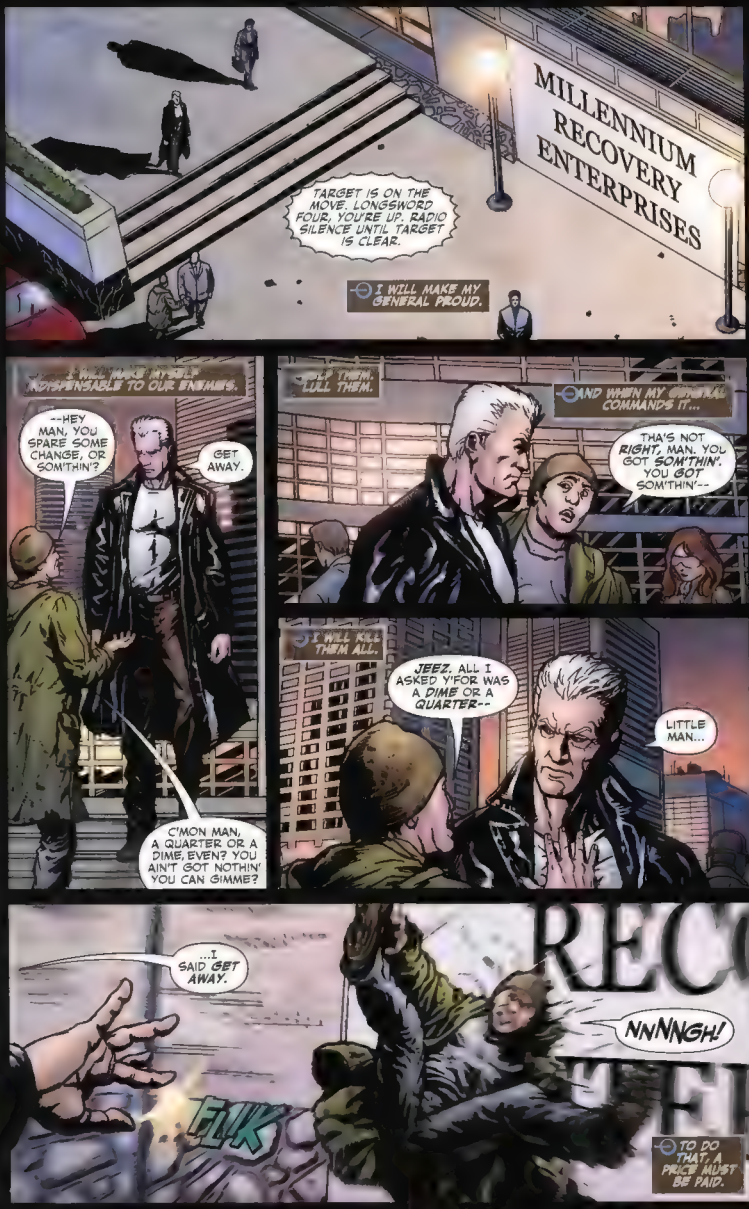

I AM AN INSTRUMENT OF WAR.
I SAY AGAIN, POSSIBLE TRACK ON KRYPTONIAN HOSTILE, DESIGNATED QUEX-UL.

THAT'S HIM.
COPY THAT. TARGET CONFIRMED.

I WAS WITHOUT PURPOSE, FUNCTIONLESS, UNTIL MY GENERAL FORGED ME INTO A MECHANISM OF DESTRUCTION.
CONTACT. CONTACT. HOSTILE ALIEN IS IN POSSESSION OF OFFWORLD WARTECH.

IT'S BEEN THREE DAYS OF TRACKING, OFFICER ROMUNDI.
WE SHOULD TAKE HIM NOW.

7734 TACTICAL OPERATIONS CENTER, UNDISCLOSED LOCATION.
IF WE HIT HIM NOW, HE COULD DESTROY THE CITY.
STICK TO THE PLAN, GENERAL LANE.
THREE DAYS, OFFICER ROMUNDI. WE'RE ABOUT AT THE END OF YOUR PROBATIONARY PERIOD.
TODAY'S THE DAY, GENERAL LANE. WE TAKE QUEX-UL TODAY.
LONGSWORD ONE, THIS IS LONGSWORD CONTROL. ARE YOUR UNITS IN PLACE?
LONGSWORD ONE TO CONTROL. WE'RE GREEN, FREEZING OUR TAILS OFF, BUT READY TO GO.
LONGSWORD ONE, THIS IS LONGSWORD ACTUAL. YOU ARE WEAPONS-FREE AT YOUR DISCRETION.
TARGET SHOULD BE EN ROUTE TO YOU SOON.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TARGET IS ON THE MOVE, LONGSWORD FOUR. YOU'RE UP. RADIO SILENCE UNTIL TARGET IS CLEAR.
I WILL MAKE MY GENERAL PROUD.
I WILL MAKE MYSELF INDISPENSABLE TO OUR ENEMIES.
--HEY MAN, YOU SPARE SOME CHANGE, OR SOM'THIN'?
GET AWAY.
C'MON MAN, A QUARTER OR A DIME, EVEN? YOU AIN'T GOT NOTHIN' YOU CAN GIMME?
...IF THEM, I WILL KILL THEM.
AND WHEN MY GENERAL COMMANDS IT...
THA'S NOT RIGHT, MAN. YOU GOT SOM'THIN'. YOU GOT SOM'THIN'--
I WILL KILL THEM ALL.
JEEZ, ALL I ASKED V'FOR WAS A DIME OR A QUARTER--
LITTLE MAN...
...I SAID GET AWAY.
FLIK
NNNNGH!
TO DO THAT, A PRICE MUST BE PAID.

ALL OF TIME AND SPACE...
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TO WIN THE WAR, I MUST DAMN MYSELF.
IDIOT
I MUST SACRIFICE A FRIEND.
THE SOONER WE'RE RID OF YOU HAIRLESS APES, THE BETTER.
LONGSWORD ƷCAFFƸ FOUR TO CONTROL, RABBIT IS RUNNING.
THE BUG IS ACTIVE.
I MUST KILL A BROTHER.
COPY THAT, FOUR. BACTERIAL TRACKER ONLINE AND READING FIVE BY FIVE. DO YOU REQUIRE MEDEVAC?
AFFIRMATIVE. DEFINITE ƷCAFFƸ INTERNAL BLEEDING. BASTARD HITS LIKE A FREIGHT TRAIN--

THE PHANTOM ZONE
YEARS AGO
COME NOW, CAR-VEX. YOU'RE NOT STILL *UPSET*, ARE YOU?
HOW MANY YEARS HAVE YOU *BEEN* HERE?
AT LEAST A DECADE. AND YET YOU'RE STILL WHINING ABOUT THE GHOSTS OF ALL THOSE LITTLE CHILDREN YOU MURDERED?
PATHETIC.
NOT MURDER. IT WAS AN *ACCIDENT*.
AN ACCIDENT. LIKE THE DRUGS YOU "ACCIDENTALLY" TOOK BEFORE YOU KILLED THEM ALL?
THEY SHOULD PUT WARNING LABELS ON--
ENOUGH
YOU *TALK* TOO MUCH, JAX-UR
WHUDDD
NNNNGH!

TREACHEROUS WORM. YOU'LL SUFFER FOR THAT, QUEX-UL.
WE'RE ALL SUFFERING. THAT'S THE POINT OF THIS PLACE, ISN'T IT?
REMEMBER THE GENERAL'S ORDERS. IF SHE'S TO BE ONE OF US, SHE'S TO BE TREATED WITH RESPECT.
UNLESS YOU THINK YOU CAN SUCCESSFULLY TOPPLE HIM.
GENERAL? WHAT GENERAL?
ZOD.
MY NAME IS GENERAL ZOD.
IF WE'RE GOING TO ENDURE THIS IMPRISONMENT, WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO BAND TOGETHER.
WE'LL NEED ORDER. A BASE OF OPERATIONS, A HEIRARCHY.
YOU'RE LABOR GUILD, BUT THE GUILDS MEAN LESS THAN NOTHING HERE.
I'M OFFERING YOU A CHANCE TO RISE ABOVE YOUR GUILD RANK. TO FIND A PLACE WITH US. A PURPOSE.
GIVEN TIME, WE MIGHT EVEN FIND A WAY OUT OF THIS HELL.
WHAT DO YOU SAY, CAR-VEX?

IN THE PHANTOM ZONE, QUEX-UL WAS THE FIRST TO SHOW ME KINDNESS.
TO GIVE ME A GLIMMER OF HOPE THAT I WOULD NOT FADE TO NOTHINGNESS, FORGOTTEN AND LOST, IN THAT REALM OF EMPTINESS.
TARGET IS IN THE KILL ZONE.
IT IS A PALTRY REWARD, MY BROTHER-IN-ARMS, BUT IT IS THE BEST I CAN GIVE YOU.
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QUICK DEATH, ONE THAT WILL CARVE A PATH TO VICTORY FOR OUR GENERAL.
SQUAD K, TAKE HIM OUT.
K-CHAK
K-CHAK
K-CHAK
K-CHAK
K-CHAK
K-CHAK
K-CHAK
K-CHAK
LOOK OUT! HOSTILE ON THE MOVE!
TRACK HIM! TRACK HIM! WATCH OUT FOR THE HEAT VISION!
ZZZZAK
YOU'RE ALL GOING TO DIE.
PAINFULLY.
BLAST BLAST
MEDUSA SYSTEM ENGAGED!
K-CHAK
K-CHAK
ZZZZAK
BURN, MONKEYS.
ZZZZAK

NNNYAAA!
FIRE UP THE SCREAMERS.
FEELING WEAK, ALIEN? CAN'T QUITE GET THE SUPER-SPEED GOIN'? NOT QUITE SO INVULNERABLE?
WONDERING HOW WE TRACKED YOU TO YOUR SPIDER HOLE? MAYBE WE AIN'T THE DUMB MONKEYS YOU THINK WE ARE.
WE TAGGED YOU WITH A BACTERIAL ENGINE, ONE THAT BURNS OFF IRRADIATED PARTICLES WHEN YOU TRAVEL AT SUPER-SPEED. RED SUN RADIATION, IN FACT.
GAVE IT A COUPLE DAYS TO BUILD UP. NOT SO MUCH THAT YOU'D NOTICE ALL AT ONCE. JUST ENOUGH TO SLOW YOU DOWN. MAKE YOU A TOUCH WEAKER.
THEN WE JUST HAD TO WAIT FOR YOU TO COME BACK HERE, AND FOLLOW THE DOTTED LINE.
PLAYTIME'S OVER, BUDDY. TIME FOR YOU TO GO.
BLAM
FORGIVE ME. FORGIVE ME, MY FRIEND.
MISSION ACCOMPLISHED, GENERAL. TELL THE NEW GIRL SHE DID GOOD.
RECOVERY AND EXFIL IN NINE MINUTES. CLOUD, OUT.

MUST BE AS STONE. BUT MY SOUL SCREAMS. I AM NOT A MURDERER, BUT I HAVE MURDERED MY FRIEND.
IT APPEARS CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER, OFFICER ROMUNDI.
A WELL-PLANNED, WELL-EXECUTED OP, AND A DEAD KRYPTONIAN TO SHOW FOR IT.
M NOT A SOLDIER, BUT I AM AN NSTRUMENT OF WAR.
NOT A BAD DAY'S WORK.
NO. NOT BAD AT ALL.
AM NOT A BETRAYER, BUT I AM TRAPPED IN THIS CIRCLE OF DECEIT AND TREACHERY.
SOMETHING WRONG, OFFICER?
OFFICER?
AND THERE IS ONLY ONE WAY OUT.
NO. IT'S JUST...NOT WHAT I ANTICIPATED.
OF COURSE IT'S NOT.
YOU'RE A COP. YOU'RE ALL ABOUT JUSTICE. ABOUT LAW. AND THIS IS THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE CROSSED THE LINE.
BUT THIS IS WAR. AND WE LIVE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THAT LINE.
CAN YOU LIVE WITH THAT?
...YES. I CAN.
GOOD. WELCOME TO THE TEAM.
I AM A WEAPON IN MY GENERAL'S ARSENAL, AND I WILL BE THIS WORLD'S END.
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Blackest Night #8 has just hit the stands, and I'm willing to bet that the incredible ending to **Geoff Johns**' magnum opus has blown you away. I know you have many questions about the future of the DCU, and all I can really say is that you'd better be prepared for a lot of surprises. The best place to follow all the upcoming action is in these Brightest Day titles, conveniently presented for you here in checklist form. Be sure to look back here and on The Source (DCUBLOG.COM) for frequent updates, and enjoy the start of a new era for DC Comics in Brightest Day!

- **Ian Sattler**, Senior Story Editor DCU

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